date of demand in cases where a settlement has at least 40 children under six but no Anganwadi.

(3) The universalisation of the ICDS involves extending all ICDS services (Supplementary nutrition, growth monitoring, nutrition and health education, immunization, referral and pre-school education) to every child under the age of 6, all pregnant women and lactating mothers and all adolescent girls.

Financial assistance for establishment of Juvenile Homes

116. DR. MAM. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of NGOs who have been provided financial assistance for establishment and maintenance of Juvenile homes by the Central Government through State Governments/UTs during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by the Union Government to ensure that the fund so extended is spent judiciously by the NGOs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) The Ministry of Women and Child Development provides financial assistance under the scheme 'A Programme for Juvenile Justice' to the State Governments/UT Administrations for establishment and maintenance of State run as well as NGO run juvenile homes set up under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 According to details provided by State Govemments/UT Administrations, the Ministry of Women and Child Development has provided assistance to NGO run homes during 2005-06 and 2006-07 as given in the statement available on the Ministry's website www.wcd.nic.in

(b) The steps taken are as under:

(i) the grant-in-aid is released to the State Governments/UT Administrations only after receipts of proper Utilisation Certificates of the previous grants, (ii) officials of the Ministry carry out inspection of the juvenile homes and reports of the shortcomings are shared with State Governments appropriate action, (iii) evaluation study has also been got

conducted through a reputed Child Welfare Organisation. Its recommendations/suggestions have been taken into account while formulating a new scheme, (iv) other reports of shortcomings/irregularities are also taken up with State Governments.

Security and Protection of Adolescents

†117. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to formulate any comprehensive plan for security and protection of the adolescents of the age group of 18 years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, whether Government intend to consider any such plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Women and Child Development has formulated a scheme named Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) largely for children upto eighteen years of age. The Working Group on Development of Children for the 11th Plan has also recommended this scheme. The aim of this scheme is to institutionalize essential services and strengthen structures, enhance capacities at all levels, create data base and knowledge base for child protection services, strengthen child protection at family and community level and ensure appropriate inter-sectoral response at all levels. The scheme supports the creation of new institutional facilities as well as maintenance of existing institutional facilities for both children in conflict with law and children in need of care and protection. It also aims to facilitate establishment and functioning of Juvenile Justice Boards (JJBs) and Child Welfare Committees (CWCs), Special Juvenile Police Units (SJPUs), State Child Protection Units (SCPUs) and District Child Protection Units (DCPUs) through the State Governments.

Amount under Balika Samridhi Yojana

118. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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